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SOUTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

SIOUX FALLS, SD November 25, 2013 – For the week ending November 24, 2013, below normal temperatures were recorded across most areas of the state, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Dry weather allowed remaining row crop harvest to wind down in most areas. Most livestock have been moved closer to winter feeding areas and are in good condition with many still grazing crop residue. Statewide, there were 5.8 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 0 percent very short, 8 short, 87 adequate and 5 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 1 percent very short, 16 short, 80 adequate and 3 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 19 fair, 73 good, and 6 excellent.

Corn harvest was 95 percent complete, behind 100 last year but ahead of 84 average.

Sorghum harvested was 93 percent complete, behind 100 last year and 96 average.

Sunflower harvest was 80 percent complete, well behind 100 last year and 91 average.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Cattle and calf conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 1 poor, 14 fair, 79 good and 6 excellent. Sheep and lamb conditions rated 0 percent very poor, 0 poor, 15 fair, 79 good and 6 excellent. Stock water supplies were 1 percent very short, 10 short, 83 adequate and 6 surplus. Hay and forage supplies were 0 percent very short, 2 short, 88 adequate and 10 surplus.

Data for this news release were provided at the county level by USDA Farm Service Agency, SDSU Extension Service and other reporters across the state.

Access the National publication for Crop Progress and Condition tables at:

<http://usda01.library.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg//2010s/2013/CropProg-11-25-2013.pdf>

Access the High Plains Region Climate Center for Temperature and Precipitation Maps at:

http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps/current/index.php?action=update_region&state=SD®ion=HPRCC

Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at:

<http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/Home/StateDroughtMonitor.aspx?SD>